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**HORMONE PREPARATIONS, OTHER CHEMICALS**  
**NOW PRODUCED DOMESTICALLY**

HORMONE PREPARATIONS PRODUCED -- Borba, No 93, 19 Apr 49

Hormone and organotherapeutic preparations used for the treatment of illnesses resulting from disorders of the endocrine glands formerly were imported from abroad. Now they are produced in the "Prolek" (Medicine) factory in Belgrade.

The production processes had to be developed from the beginning; the factory had to be built, technical processes discovered, formulas worked out, and raw materials (glands and other animal organs) procured. Glands for processing must be properly removed, well-cleaned, and very carefully preserved. Obtaining glands from slaughtered animals was a new task for Yugoslav slaughterhouses, and it required great patience and skill. Difficulties were encountered in transporting frozen glands from the various parts of the country to the factory in Belgrade.

Through good labor organization and adequate procurement of raw materials, the factory fulfilled its first-quarter 1949 plan by 130.5 percent in value. During this period, sufficient pituitary glands, which last year had to be imported, were obtained from Yugoslav sources. From these glands a pituitary medicine for treating internal bleeding and a preparation for treating asthma are prepared. A method for removing pituitary glands easily has been discovered.

Production at the factory is increasing rapidly. The organotherapeutic section was formed last year. At that time, the technical processes were not well understood, but by the first quarter of 1949, this was the best section in the factory.

PLANT PRODUCES NEW CHEMICALS -- Borba, No 91, 17 Apr 49

Because of the low water level of the Danube, the power supply of the "Ruse" Nitrogen Factory is frequently interrupted. However, 300

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tons of microphosphate in addition to the amount prescribed by the plan for spring sowing have been produced and distributed.

The "Ruse" Factory produces other chemicals besides synthetic fertilizers. Last year, four new products were put into production, and this year three more items will be produced there for the first time in Yugoslavia: carbamide [sic] for synthetic glue, cyanide for disinfecting, and nitrous oxide for medicinal uses. The complicated apparatus required was made in the machine shop of the factory.

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